THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) (a) Department of Chemicals & Petro-Chemicals administers Drugs (Prices Control) Order. However, representatives of BICP is also associated with the Committee.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Price of Isoxuprine range formulations

3283. SHRI JASWANT SINGH:
SHRI JAGESH DESAI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the sales turnover of Isoxuprine, Flucionolone Acetonide, Polymixin Glipizide, Phenformin Hcl and Chlorpropamide as per ORG which is subscribed from out of Government funds during 1986 and 1987;

(b) whether it is a fact that more than 80 per cent of the production and distribution of these drugs is controlled by one or two companies;

(c) if so, by when price control on these products would be imposed;

(d) what were the approved prices of leading brands of these products under DPCO, 1979 and at present; and

(e) whether it is a fact that their prices have substantially gone up?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Retail store audit report ORG does not give sales turnover and provides only All India Estimates of Retail Sales of Pharmaceuticals through the trade channel covering around 175 Companies and these estimates are based on purchase records maintained by 650 retail chemists spread out all over India. The retails sales estimates given in this report represent the purchases made by retail chemists alone, off-take of pharmaceuticals by non retail chemists are not covered in this report.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The required details are quite voluminous and are not readily available. The time and efforts required for collecting the same will not be commensurate which the results likely to be achieved.

(e) As per the provision of DPCO, 1987 the manufacturers of non-scheduled medicines are free to revise the prices.

TA/DA expenditure of IDPL and HAL Directors

3284. SHRI JASWANT SINGH:
SHRI JAGESH DESAI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what amount has been spent by IDPL and HAL on the TA/DA of the Board of Directors during the last two years; and

(b) what amount has been spent on each of the Government Directors and what facilities were extended to such Directors during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Use of cars by Bengal Immunity

3285. SHRI JASWANT SINGH:
SHRI JAGESH DESAI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bengal Immunity's bill on use of cars in Delhi is very high as such cars are offered to Government officers; and

(b) what was the expenditure of this Company on cars and other conveyance in Delhi during the last two years;